

SPEAKER BARRETT PRESIDING

SPEAKER BARRETT: Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. The prayer this morning will be conducted by the Chaplain of the Day, Carl Burkhardt who is Associate Regional Minister of the Christian Churches of Nebraska and presently Minister of the Beaver Crossing Christian Church. Mr. Burkhardt, please. (Gavel.)

REVEREND BURKHARDT: (Prayer offered.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: (Gavel.) Thank you, sir. Roll call.

CLERK: There is a quorum present, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Reports, announcements, messages.

CLERK: Mr. President, the Department of Roads offers a report on the Highway Cash Fund and Roads Operation Cash Fund.

I have two reports from the Tri-Basin NRD and the Lower Loup NRD regarding payment of attorneys' fees for this past year. (See page 322 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, a notice of hearing from the Education Committee, signed by Senator Withem as Chair.

Mr. President, a new resolution, LR 262, offered by Senator Hefner. (Read explanation of LR 262 as found on pages 322-23 of the Legislative Journal.) That will be laid over, Mr. President.

That's all that I have.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, sir. Moving quickly to item 6 on the agenda, legislative resolution. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 259 was offered by Senators Withem and Hartnett. It's found on page 267 of the Journal. (Read LR 259.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: The gentleman from Papillion, Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, thank you. Mr. Speaker. Members of the body, although this latest Nebraska football season was a